Painter's Rest, the tract on which this house stands, has had a long history as a tenant farm. The tract of land which totaled 563 acres along with the early two story flemish bond brick house with post and hewn log kitchen wing was first owned by Charles Henry Fischer, whose brother Sidney George Fischer owned Mount Harmon. In his Mount Harmon 1837-1850 diary he mentions, "Sunday I drove over to Painter's Rest." (p. 4) By the mid 19th century Delawarian William Wilson had acquired this farm while assembling a vast bi-state farm. (HFM 3/245) William Wilson died in August of 1879 and Painter's Rest along with four other farms and property in Warwick was advertised and sold at auction in 1881. (JAD 3/352) The farm at the time was tenanted out to a William Bland and was described in the "Gecil Democrat" with 223 acres and 13 square perches more or less, divided into four fields. The buildings consist of a brick dwelling with two frame attachments, brick meat house, frame granary, and stable.

CE-983 Fischer-Wilson House

#### Addenda

Since Paul Touart's survey of the Fischer-Wilson House in 1979, the house has deteriorated and in 1983 is gradually being demolished. In July 1983, the two story frame wing is completely demolished, the south porch of the main house is down, and only the log walls of the post-and-plank kitchen survive. The original brick house remains standing but is scheduled for demolition, with the materials to be salvaged by a Chestertown builder.

Orlando Ridout V July 22, 1983

# INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

File 1-139

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HISTORIC			
FISCHER-Wilson Brick and Frame	House		
AND/OR COMMON			
PAINTER'S REST NO.			
2 LOCATION			
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STATE		COUNTY	
Maryland		Cecil	
3 CLASSIFICATION			
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BEING CONSIDERED	YES: UNRESTRICTED	INDUSTRIAL	_TRANSPORTATION
	NO	MILITARY	_other: none
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\_\_MOVED DATE\_

#### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

FISCHER-

The Wilson House consists of three sections, the first being built around 1790. It is a 2% story 2 bay by 1 room brick with a medium sloped tin roof. A single story post and plank section c. 1800 was added to the east gable end and later raised by frame to a two story height. Finally in the third or fourth quarter of the 19th century a 2 story 2 bay by 1 room hall and parlor frame section was attached to the west end. This latest addition retained the same roof line of the 18th century section, but was supported by a full uncoursed fieldstone basement.

The south facade (Main) of the 18th century section is laid in flemish bond and jack arches over the two window openings on each floor. A later central door opening was cut through between the first floor windows. The Font sash were also changed to 4/4 divisions with louvered shutters. There is a late 19th century four panel front door. The bed molding and boxed cornice remain intact at eave level.

There are three openings on the first floor of the late 19th century section with an entrance in the eastern bay. The two 4/4 sash are without shutters. The second floor windows have louvered shutters. The boxed cornice continues across evenly with the 18th century section. A five bay single story hip roof porch with tin foor, central gable, and square posts stretches across these two sections.

The south facade of the post and plank(kitchen) section is covered with weatherboards but a vertical board sheathing covers the posts and planks. The second front is weatherboard over frame. There is a single 2/2 sash and door opening with four panel door on the first floor and two 6/6 sash openings on the second.

Slight boxed cornice covers the rafter ends. The roof is covered with the same tin sheathing.

The east gable end of the main block is primarily covered with the kitchen addition, however, a interior end stack with corbelled cap rises out of the end wall with flanking attic lights. The brick on this end has been stuccoed. The gable end is closed with a plain bargeboard. The east end of the kitchen section has an interior end stack whose cap has been removed. A large base can be seen but stack narrows sharply after the first floor. A small attic light flanks the stove stack.

The north side of the 18th century section is laid in 5 course common bond with another later entrance having been cut through. A single 9/9 sash is located to the east of the entrance and two 9/9 sash are found on the second floor. The box cornice and bed molding the same as the south side Evidence of an earlier porch is found at first floor height. Holes in the brick wall were undoubtedly used to support the missing porch. The kitche has three openings on the first floor with a central entrance and flanking 6/6 sash. Two 6/6 sash are found on the second floor. The north side of

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

Wilson House Page 2

of the late 19th century section has a eastern bay door and 4/4 sash on the first floor and one 4/4 sash on the second.

The west end of the frame section is primarily plain with a stone basement access.

The interior of the 18th century section has been altered with the removal of the northeast corner winder stair and the addition of a straight flight on the west wall. The mantel has been removed from the eastern wall fireplace. Chair rail does remain (see profile) and ovolo banded surrounds frame each window opening. The second floor has also been altered with a partitioning of two small rooms and a northern hall. The winder stair to the attic remains in the northeast corner and evidence of the first floor stair can be seen in a closet in the eastern room. Chair-rail and window surrounds remain the same as the first on the exterior openings. A plain surround frames the later doors. A slight shift in the heavy beaded baseboard is also evident. The plaster has been removed on part of the interior partition and the wall consists of lata and plaster over whitewashed vertical board walls. There is a fireplace in the eastern bedroom but the mantel has been removed. A closet to the south of the fireplace opening does remain with its beaded vertical board door and ovolo molded surround. hinges are also intact. The winder stair to the attic rises sharply to partially denuded attic space. The wide board flooring has been removed. The roof is supported by a common rafter system with pinned mortise and tenon peak joints and lapped and pinned collar beams. A crude openings was cut through in the west gable end brick wall for access into the attic of the late 19th century addition.

The first floor interior of the post and plank section has remained basically the same with a large cooking fireplace in the east wall with a winder stair in the northeast corner. The post and plank construction is especially evident in this corner. The stair and closet below is enclosed with beaded board doors and the closet door remains with wrought latch with oval nailer plates. The door and window with surrounds are plain. The second floor is divided into three rooms with an attic access through the southeast room. The east end five course common bond brick wall is proposed in the west room. Door and window trim also remains plain.

The late 19th century frame section has very typical interior molded door and window surrounds and four panel doors. The chimney brest protrudes with openings for stove pipes.

The only remaining outbuilding was a squarish common bond brick structure directly north of the house and has been recently demolished for brick salvage.

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		INVENTION			

#### SPECIFIC DATES

#### BUILDER/ARCHITECT

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Wilson House is one of the earlies structures in this lower corner of Cecil County. Although the 18th century structure has suffered numerous and disfiguring alterations, enough is left to realize its earlier appearance and plan. The post and plank kitchen section is not unknown in the area but one of a handfull of recognized examples. It has remained basically intact and probably serves as a good example of a early 19th century kitchen. The final late 19th century additions are nothing unusual, but do offer an interesting continuation of the 18th century dwelling.

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#### Farms HIVE

IN CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND;

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VALUABLE TOWN PROPERTY IN WARWICK



By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Cecil county, in chancery, the undersigned, as Trustees, will offer at Public Sale, at the Court House door, in Elkton, Maryland, on

Thursday, the 25th day of August, 1881, COMMENCING AT 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

#### All the Real Estate

in the State of Maryland of which William Wilson, late of New Castle county, Delaware died seized, consisting of

FIVE FARMS AND A LARGE NUMBER OF HOUSES AND LOTS IN WARWICK, CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND.

No. 1-Known as the "Martin Ginn Farm," contains

250 ACRES, MORE OR LESS,

divided into five fields all under good fencing. Buildings: TWO-STORY FRAME DWELLING 18x36 feet, with large Back Building, Stable, Granary, Smoke House, and other outbuildings all in good repair. Excellent water at the door. The land is all in cultivation except a small parcel of wood along the margin of a stream of ruoning water, which passes through the farm. APPLE ORCHARD of choice fruit in full bearing,

No. 2—Part of "Paynter's Rest," now tenanted by William Bland, and contains

#### 223 Acres and 13 Sq. Perches,

more or less, divided into four fields. This land is nearly all arable, in good state of cultivation, well fenced and hedged. Brildings: BRICK DWELLING with two Frame Attachments, Brick Meat House, Frame Granary and Stable.

No. 3-Part of "Paynter's Rest," now toward by W. H. Stanert, and contains

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more or less. On this farm there is a hange PEACH ORCHARD; an APPLE ORCHARD recently planted but In full FRAME DWELLING HOUSE, Stable, large

No. 4-The "Ford Farm," contains

## 179 Acres and 91 Sq. Perches,

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good state of cultivation, divided into
fields of convenient size, all under good
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No. 5—Now tenanted by Hall Short, is part of "Pullen's Refuge," also known as "Bordly's Neck," and contains

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No. 3—Is 70 feet front on Main street and runs back about 191 feet. DUBLE FRAME DWELLING two stories high.

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#### Valuable FARM.

The subscriber, as Agent for the heirs, will sell at Public Sale, on the presultes, on

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ALL THAT FARM OR TRACT OF LAND, belonging to the late Christian V. Reeder, the ceased, containing

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Possession will be given this fall, if desired by the purchaser, or on the 25th day of March, 1882.

Sale to commence at 2 o'clock P. M.

WILLIAM BROWN.

Agent for heirs of Christian V. Reeder, dec'd.

Aug 6-ts J. C. Hindman, Auctioneer.

# TRUSTEE'S SALE

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Cecil county, in Equity, the undersigned will sell at Public Auction, at the Court House door, in Elkton, on

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#### ALL THAT LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND, . CONTAINING

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## STATE OF MARYLAND, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

#### PROCLAMATION.

Whereas by the Constitution of Maryland, article 14, section 1, providing for amenomenta to the Constitution, it is made the duty of the Governor to order the publication of way bill proposing amendments as therein directed.

And whereas the following set of the General Assembly, passed at the January session, 1880, chapter 417, proposes an amendment to the Constitution, to wit:

CHAPTER 417.

Chapter 17.

An Aci to amend section five of sricie four of the Constitution of this State.

Bection 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, three fifths of all the members of the two Houses concurring, That the following section be, and the same la hereby, proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of this State, and if adopted by the legal and qualified voters thereof as thereby provided, it shall superseds and stand in the place and lusted of section five of article four of and Constitution.

BEO. 5. After the election for Judges as hereinbefore provided; there shall be held in this State, in every fifteenth year thereafter, on the Tuesday after the Arst Monday in Nuvember of such year, an election of Judges as herein provided; and in case in death, resignation, removal or disqualification, by reason in age in otherwise, of any Judge, the Governor shall appoint a person duly qualified to fill asid office who shall hid the same and the Governor shall when a successor shall be elected, whose term of office shall be the same as hereinbefore provided; and npon the expiration of the term of fifteen years for which any Judge may be elected to fill a vacancy, an election for his successor shall take place at the next general election for members of the General Assembly to secure upon or after the expiration in the safe term, and the Governor shall appoint a person duly qualified to hold said office from the expiration of such term of fifteen years for she developed to file a person duly qualified to hold said office from the expiration of of such term of fifteen years until the lection and onsification of file successor.

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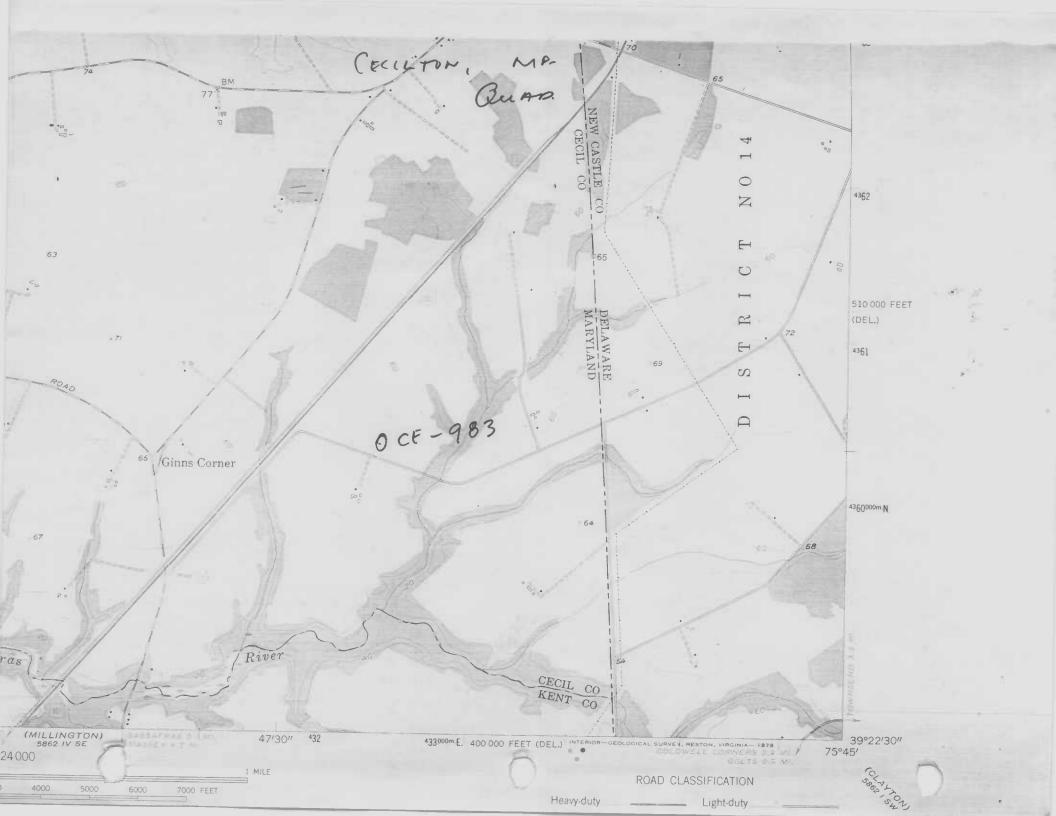
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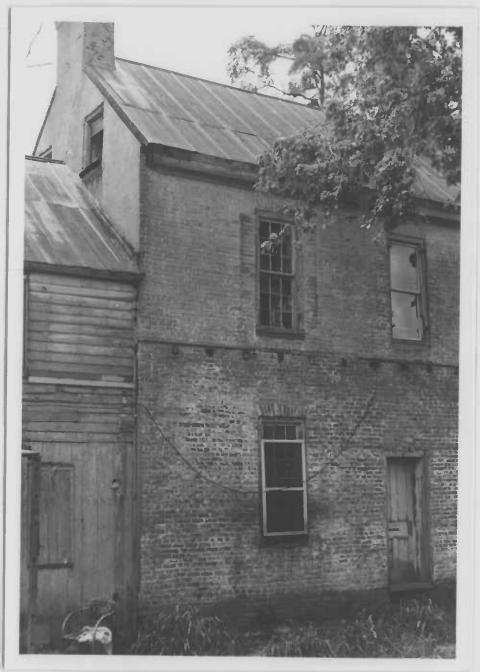
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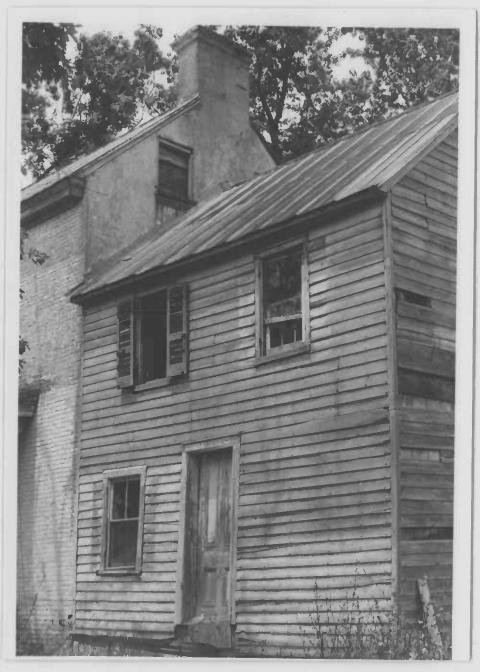


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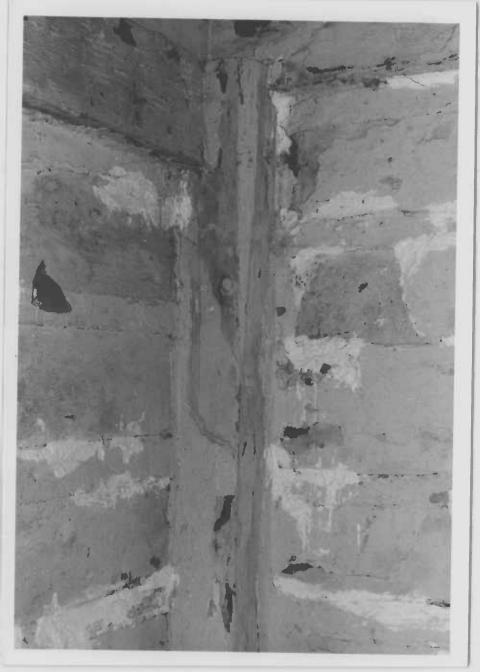
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